

# Investor Update

BROWN SHOE COMPANY, INC.

November 2010

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This investor update contains certain forward-looking statements and expectations regarding the Company's future performance and the future performance of its brands. Such statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. These include (i) changing consumer demands, which may be influenced by consumers' disposable income, which in turn can be influenced by general economic conditions; (ii) the timing and uncertainty of activities and costs related to the Company's information technology initiatives, including software implementation and business transformation; (iii) potential disruption to the Company's business and operations as it implements its information technology initiatives; (iv) the Company's ability to utilize its new information technology system to successfully execute its strategies; (v) intense competition within the footwear industry; (vi) rapidly changing fashion trends and purchasing patterns; (vii) customer concentration and increased consolidation in the retail industry; (viii) political and economic conditions or other threats to continued and uninterrupted flow of inventory from China and Brazil, where the Company relies heavily on third-party manufacturing facilities for a significant amount of its inventory; (ix) the Company's ability to attract and retain licensors and protect its intellectual property; (x) the Company's ability to secure/exit leases on favorable terms; (xi) the Company's ability to maintain relationships with current suppliers; (xii) compliance with applicable laws and standards with respect to lead content in paint and other product safety issues; (xiii) the Company's ability to successfully execute its international growth strategy; (xiv) the Company's ability to source product at a pace consistent with increased demand for footwear; and (xv) the impact of rising prices in a potentially inflationary global environment. The Company's reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission contain detailed information relating to such factors, including, without limitation, the information under the caption "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 30, 2010, which information is incorporated by reference herein and updated by the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. The Company does not undertake any obligation or plan to update these forward-looking statements, even though its situation may change.

- November 24, 2010



# Why Invest in Brown Shoe?

- Powerful brands that command leading market share
- Clear opportunities to grow sales and margins
- Strategic initiatives in place to maximize favorable footwear cycle
- Portfolio aligned with macro consumer trends of family, healthy living, and contemporary fashion
- Strong design, sourcing, and distribution expertise and fulfillment infrastructure
- Investments in talent, technology, and marketing to drive future growth
- Solid balance sheet and 351 consecutive quarters paying a dividend



### At A Glance

### **Our Company**

- A leading footwear company with \$2.5 billion in sales (TTM\*)
- Full-year 2010 Adjusted EPS\*\* expectation of \$1.00 to \$1.05
   versus \$0.40 in 2009
- 2011 EPS expectation of \$1.31 to \$1.43
- Aiming for near-term EPS goal of \$2.00 over next 18 to 24 months

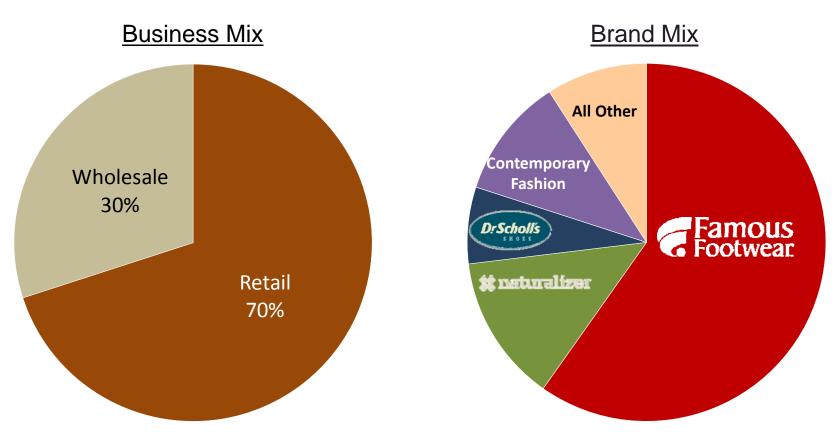
#### **Our Brands**

- Famous Footwear leading family branded footwear retailer
- Naturalizer one of the world's largest women's comfort brands
- Dr. Scholl's iconic global health and wellness brand
- A leader in Contemporary Fashion

### **Brown Shoe Business Mix**

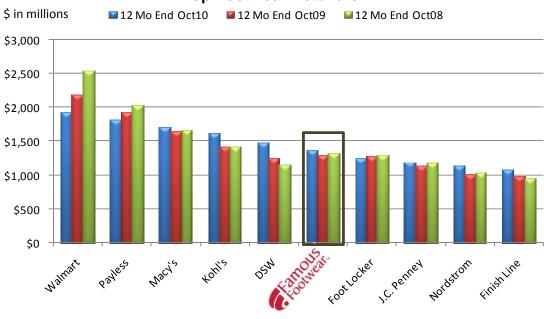
# \$2.5 billion in sales

(Trailing 12 Months October 30, 2010)



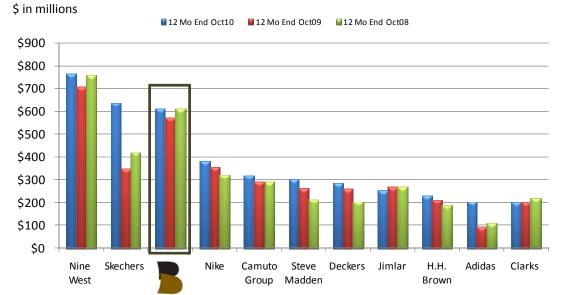
# Leading Footwear Retailer and Wholesaler

#### **Top Footwear Retailers\***



\*Trailing 12 months October according to NPD's Consumer Panel

#### Top Women's Fashion Wholesalers\*\*



\*\*Trailing 12 months October according to NPD's Retail Point of Sale Tracking Service. Channels include Department Stores, National Chains, National Shoe Chains, and Athletic Specialty









































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### Famous Footwear

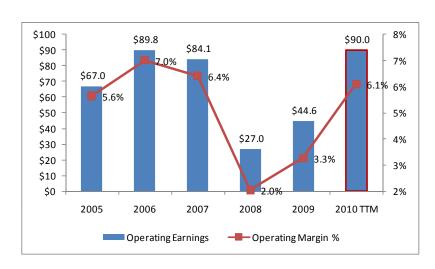
- Leading family branded footwear retailer
- Represents 60% of total Company net sales
- Net sales of \$1.5 billion and operating margin of 6.1% (TTM).
   Peak operating margin of 7.0% and sales per square foot of \$185 in 2006
- Strong broad-based sales momentum for the trailing twelve month period
  - Same-store sales increased 11.6%
  - Sales per square foot increased to \$184 versus \$164 in the prior period
  - Record Back-to-School season in 2010
  - Broad-based growth across major categories, channels, and geographies
- Primary target customers are active, contemporary moms who seek national, powerful, recognized brands at a value for themselves and their families
- Approximately 110 million customer visits per year and one in ten families visit Famous Footwear during the Back-To-School season
- More than 1,100 stores in all 50 states

### Famous Footwear

#### **Sales per Square Foot**

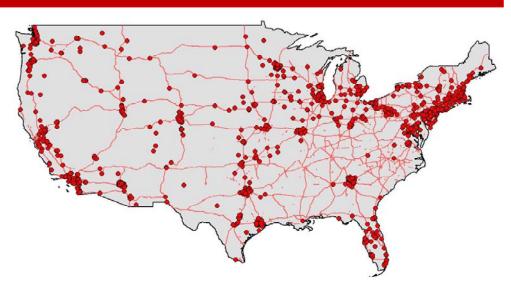
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#### **Operating Earnings (\$mm)**



#### **National Store Base**

- Store concept works well across channels – mall, strip and outlet
- 1,118 stores in all 50 states
- Lease negotiations have netted over \$12 million in annual expense savings\*

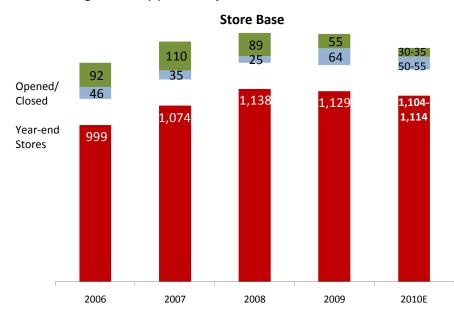


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### Famous Footwear – Growth Initiatives

- Growth targets:
  - Annual same-store sales increase in low-single digits
  - Operating margin goal of 10%
- Real Estate Portfolio:
  - Increasing store productivity through real estate portfolio improvements
  - Stricter opening and closing criteria leading to new stores performing at over \$200 / sq. ft., while continuing to close underperforming stores
  - Longer-term target of \$225+ / sq. ft.
  - Plan to increase store base over next three years by net +5,
     +25, and +25 stores, respectively
  - Long-term opportunity for 1,500+ stores





# Famous Footwear – Growth Initiatives (Continued)

#### Marketing:

- Increasing brand awareness by strengthening "Make Today Famous" across all customer touchpoints
- Driving differentiation through innovative marketing while at the same time significantly reducing promotional cadence
- Increased annual marketing investment to 3.7% of net sales in 2010 from four-year average of 3.1%. Plan to maintain rate over next few years.
- Established national media coverage for the first time while also growing targeted localized marketing efforts.
   Generated 1.3 billion impressions through TV and radio advertisements during Back-To-School season
- Expanding viral, digital, social media, and multichannel initiatives









# Famous Footwear – Growth Initiatives (Continued)

- Customer Engagement:
  - Evolving the customer retail experience
  - Conversion was the primary driver of same-store performance in first half of 2010
  - Energized associate base connecting with consumers throughout store experience and purchase process
  - Increasing depth in assortment and sizing to provide more choices to customers
- Healthy Living:
  - Strengthening position as the destination for healthy living and fitness footwear in the family channel
  - Partnering with key vendors to obtain leadership position in the evolving fitness category
  - Expanding Mind, Body, Sole in-store shops and testing 5 standalone stores in premium malls opening in Nov./Dec.
  - Focusing marketing communications on great brands and fitness product









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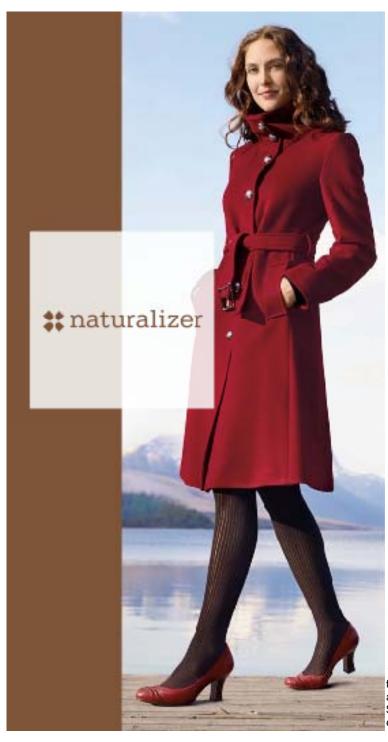
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### Wholesale Brands

- Diverse portfolio of brands targeting a broad array of consumer segments and spanning distribution channels, from mass merchants to premium department stores
- Represents 30% of total Company net sales
- Net sales of \$731.5 million (TTM), a 17.3% increase versus the prior period, and adjusted operating margin\* of 5.9%
- Positive current momentum with sales expected to grow in the high 'teens to low 20s range for full year 2010
- Focusing on the faster-growing, higher-margin branded business while deemphasizing lower-margin private label business

#### **Sales and Margin Performance**



\*Adjusted operating margin for 2009 excludes \$0.3 million of costs related to IT initiatives. Adjusted operating margin for 2008 excludes \$129.1 million and \$14.4 million of costs related to impairment of goodwill and intangible assets and expense and capital containment initiatives, respectively. Adjusted operating margin for 2007 and 2006 excludes \$4.2 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, related to earnings enhancement plan. Adjusted operating margin for 2006 excludes \$3.8 million related to the Bass license withdrawal.



### Wholesale Brands

#### Naturalizer

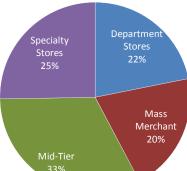
- Global comfort brand with distribution in over 50 countries
- Approximately \$500 million in net sales at retail worldwide
- Naturalizer brand family was top 3 women's fashion brand across domestic channels\*

#### Dr. Scholl's

 Leading global health and wellness brand that spans gender, age, distribution channels, and categories. In over 8,000 retail doors in North America

#### Contemporary Fashion Brands

- Via Spiga, Franco Sarto, Sam Edelman, Vera Wang, Etienne Aigner, Carlos Santana, Fergie
- Young, high-demand brands poised for expansion
- Total contemporary business has grown from approximately \$20 million in net sales in 2004 to approximately \$250 million on a trailing 12 month basis



Sales by Channel

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### Wholesale – Growth Initiatives

- Goal of low double-digit operating margin driven by mid singledigit annual sales growth
- Enhancing product innovation and trend-right product styling across brands and bringing new products, concepts, and technologies to market
- Driving growth across core brands through key consumer platforms of healthy living and contemporary fashion
  - Growth of Naturalizer through brand family strategy, with Naya in premium department stores and Natural Soul in national chains
  - Dr. Scholl's channel expansion with enhanced technology and athletic-inspired product
  - Accelerating growth of contemporary fashion brands with door expansion opportunities in premium department stores, independents, and direct-to-consumer channels. High-single digit annual sales growth expectations
- International expansion focused on Naturalizer and emerging contemporary fashion brands
- Driving gross margin and expense efficiencies through enhanced systems and processes



## Global Sourcing

- Brown Shoe sourcing operations source the majority of the Company's footwear for both the Wholesale and Specialty Retail segments and a portion of the footwear sold by Famous Footwear
- Sourcing, sales, and design operations in China, Italy, Brazil, Hong Kong, and Macau
- In 2009, sourced 98% of footwear from China, with approximately half of product sourced from the inland regions, such as Putian, and the remainder from Dongguan
- Trusted long-term relationships with retail, vendor, and factory partners
- Mitigating expected cost pressures in the second half of 2010 and full year 2011 through
  - Migration to lower-cost sourcing markets over last few years
  - Leveraging scale and factory/retail partnerships
  - Enhancing flow of product to meet seasonal windows and deliver on-time



### Financial Results & Outlook

- Execution of strategy has led to strong improvement over last five quarters
- Expect full-year 2010 consolidated sales growth in the low double-digits and adjusted EPS\* of \$1.00 to \$1.05
- Adjusted EBITDA\* increased 122% for trailing twelve month period
- Expect 2011 consolidated sales growth in the low to mid single-digit range and EPS in the range of \$1.31 to \$1.43
- Long-term goal of high single-digit operating margin and ROIC of mid- to high-teens



# **Appendix**

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

# Consolidated Results Trailing Twelve Months

(\$ in millions except EPS)	12 Months Ended October 30, 2010	12 Months Ended October 31, 2009	% Chg.
Net Sales	\$2,465.5	\$2,197.0	12.2%
Operating Earnings (Loss)			
GAAP	\$76.1	(\$182.9)	++
Adjusted**	\$86.6	\$9.1	++
EPS*			
GAAP	\$0.89	(\$3.57)	++
Adjusted**	\$1.04	(\$0.06)	++
Gross Profit Rate	40.6%	39.4%	
Adjusted EBITDA**	\$136.1	\$61.3	122.1%

<sup>\*</sup>Diluted earnings (loss) per common share attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc. shareholders (hereafter "Earnings (Loss) Per Diluted Share")

<sup>\*\*</sup>See Appendix page 24 and 27 for reconciliation

# Major Segment Operating Results Trailing Twelve Months

	Famous Footwear		Wholesale	Operations	Specialty Retail		
	12 Mos. Ended October 30,	12 Mos. Ended October 31,	12 Mos. Ended October 30,	12 Mos. Ended October 31,	12 Mos. Ended October 30,	12 Mos. Ended October 31,	
(\$ in millions)	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	
Net Sales	\$1,473.7	\$1,333.2	\$731.5	\$623.5	\$260.3	\$240.3	
Gross Profit	\$661.6	\$570.6	\$227.9	\$192.9	\$111.1	\$101.1	
Gross Profit Rate	44.9%	42.8%	31.2%	30.9%	42.7%	42.1%	
Operating Earnings (Loss)	\$90.0	\$18.8	\$42.1	(\$116.4)	(\$7.3)	(\$31.6)	
Operating Earnings (Loss) %	6.1%	1.4%	5.8%	-18.7%	-2.8%	-13.2%	
Charges / Other Items: IT Initiatives	-	-	\$0.7	\$0.1	-	-	
Impairment of Goodwill and Intangible Assets	-	\$3.5	-	\$129.1	-	\$16.6	
Expense & Capital Containment Initiatives	-	\$3.8	-	\$14.4	-	\$0.6	
Total Charges / Other Items	-	\$7.3	\$0.7	\$143.6	-	\$17.2	
Adjusted Operating Earnings (Loss)	\$90.0	\$26.1	\$42.8	\$27.2	(\$7.3)	(\$14.4)	
Adjusted Operating Earnings (Loss) %	6.1%	2.0%	5.9%	4.4%	-2.8%	-6.0%	

# Outlook

	Fourth Quarter & Full Year 2010	Full Year 2011
Consolidated Sales	High single to low double-digits percent increase for fourth quarter	Low to mid-single digits
Famous Footwear Same-Store Sales	High single-digits for fourth quarter	Low to mid single-digits
Wholesale Sales	High 'teens to low 20s for fourth quarter	Mid single-digits
Selling and Administrative Expenses	36.8 to 37.2% for full year. Includes \$6.5 to \$7.0 million in expense for IT initiatives.  Full year expectations also include \$21 million of anomalous costs consisting of incentive compensation, air freight, and other items.	
Net Interest Expense	\$20.0 to \$20.5 million for full year	
Effective Tax Rate	34.8 to 35.2% for full year	
Earnings Per Share	\$0.90 to \$0.95 for full year, which includes \$0.10 of expense for IT Initiatives	\$1.31 to \$1.43
Depreciation and Amortization*	\$50.0 to \$50.5 million for full year	
Capital Expenditures**	\$58 to \$60 million for full year	

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes amortization of debt issuance costs

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes purchases of property and equipment and capitalized software

# **Condensed Balance Sheet**

(Unaudited)

(Thousands)	С	october 30, 2010		October 31, 2009	,	January 30, 2010
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,707	\$	34,102	\$	125,833
Receivables	•	131,352	•	84,884	•	84,297
Inventories		539,881		450,156		456,682
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		31,910		25,116		41,437
Total current assets		732,850		594,258		708,249
Other assets		122,996		117,304		113,114
Intangible assets, net		72,218		78,919		77,226
Property and equipment, net		136,533		149,254		141,561
Total assets	\$	1,064,597	\$	939,735	\$	1,040,150
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Borrowings under revolving credit agreement	\$	113,000	\$	50,000	\$	94,500
Trade accounts payable		172,789		136,977		177,700
Other accrued expenses		154,895		128,336		141,863
Total current liabilities		440,684		315,313		414,063
Long-term debt		150,000		150,000		150,000
Deferred rent		35,631		40,186		38,869
Other liabilities		28,554		30,639		25,991
Total Brown Shoe Company, Inc. shareholders'		408,804		394,219		402,171
equity		,		,		,
Noncontrolling interests		924		9,378		9,056
Total equity		409,728		403,597		411,227
Total liabilities and equity	\$	1,064,597	\$	939,735	\$	1,040,150

# **Condensed Income Statement**

(Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended		Thirty-nine Weeks Ended			Ended		
(Thousands, except per share data)	Oct	ober 30, 2010	Oct	ober 31, 2009	Oc	tober 30, 2010	Oc	tober 31, 2009
Net sales Cost of goods sold		716,093 433,874		625,635 366,692		,899,567 ,131,318		,675,996 ,005,249
Gross profit		282,219		258,943		768,249		670,747
Selling and administrative expenses Restructuring and other special charges, net		247,089 1,852		222,384 2,222		696,052 5,460		641,721 6,834
Operating earnings		33,278		34,337		66,737		22,192
Interest expense		(4,916)		(5,029)		(14,238)		(15,192)
Interest income		46		52		113		340
Earnings before income taxes		28,408		29,360		52,612		7,340
Income tax provision		(9,918)		(12,356)		(18,799)		(1,623)
Net earnings	\$	18,490	\$	17,004	\$	33,813	\$	5,717
Less: Net (loss) earnings attributable to noncontrolling interests		(83)		704		(67)		1,265
Net earnings attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc.	\$	18,573	\$	16,300	\$	33,880	\$	4,452
Basic earnings per common share attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc. shareholders	\$	0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.78	\$	0.10
Diluted earnings per common share attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc. shareholders	\$	0.42	\$	0.38	\$	0.77	\$	0.10
Basic number of shares Diluted number of shares	·	42,348 42,608	·	41,588 41,653	·	42,083 42,370	·	41,579 41,579

# Reconciliation of GAAP to Adjusted (Non-GAAP) Earnings

	Twelve Mont	hs Ended Octobei	30, 2010	Twelve Mont	ns Ended Octobe	31, 2009
(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	Operating Earnings (Loss)	Net Earnings (Loss) Attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc.	Diluted Earnings (Loss) Per Share	Operating Earnings (Loss)	Net (Loss) Earnings Attributable to Brown Shoe Company, Inc.	Diluted (Loss) Earnings Per Share
GAAP earnings (loss)	\$76,068	\$38,928	\$0.89	(\$182,937)	(\$148,596)	(\$3.57)
Charges / Other Items:						
Impairment of goodwill and intangible assets	_	-	_	149,150	119,203	2.87
Expense and capital containment initiatives	-	_	_	30,876	19,091	0.46
Headquarters consolidation	(1,864)	(1,139)	(0.03)	2,807	1,739	0.04
IT initiatives	7,789	5,014	0.12	9,179	5,909	0.14
Organizational changes	4,624	2,825	0.06	_	_	-
Total charges / other items	\$10,549	\$6,700	\$0.15	\$192,012	\$145,942	\$3.51
Adjusted earnings	\$86,617	\$45,628	\$1.04	\$9,075	(\$2,654)	(\$0.06)

# Reconciliation of Diluted Earnings Per Share (GAAP Basis) to Adjusted Diluted Earnings Per Share (Non-GAAP Basis)

	Fiscal 2010 Diluted Earnings Per Share	Fiscal 2009 Diluted (Loss) Earnings Per Share
GAAP earnings	\$ 0.90 - \$0.95	\$ 0.22
Charges / Other Items:		
Headquarters consolidation	_	( 0.03 )
IT initiatives	0.10	0.14
Organizational changes	_	0.07
Total Charges / Other Items	0.10	0.18
Adjusted earnings	\$ 1.00 - \$1.05	\$ 0.40

## **Debt-to-Capital Ratio**

(\$ in millions)	October 30, 2010	October 31, 2009
Total Debt Obligations*	\$263.0	\$200.0
Total Equity	\$409.7	\$403.6
Total Capital	\$672.7	\$603.6
Debt-to-Capital Ratio**	39.1%	33.1%

- \* Includes long-term debt and borrowings under revolving credit agreement
- \*\* Total Debt Obligations divided by Total Capital

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

### Reconciliation of Operating Earnings (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA

(\$ in millions)	12 Months Ended October 30, 2010	12 Months Ended October 31, 2009
Operating Earnings (Loss)	\$76.1	(\$182.9)
Charges / Other Items*	10.5	192.0
Adjusted Earnings Before Interest and Taxes (EBIT)	\$86.6	\$9.1
Depreciation & Amortization**	49.5	52.2
Adjusted EBITDA	\$136.1	\$61.3

<sup>\*</sup> Includes impairment of goodwill and intangible assets and net restructuring and other special charges; see details on page 24

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

<sup>\*\*</sup> Excludes amortization of debt issuance costs

## Famous Footwear – Store Economics

Operating Performance					
Average Sales	\$1,288				
Operating Profit	\$83	<u>% of Sales</u> 6.5%			
Depreciation & Amortization	\$19				
EBITDA	\$102	7.9%			

Cash Investment	
Fixed Assets Tenant Allowances	\$206 (\$114)
Inventory	\$281
Accounts Payable	<u>(\$96)</u>
Net Cash	\$277

Return on Investment					
\$102					
\$277					
36.8%					

Note: All dollars in thousands. Trailing 12 month data through October 30, 2010, reflecting all stores open more than 1 year.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**